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Mr. John Howard, Superintendent
Monocacy National Battlefield &
Antietam National Battlefield
USDI National Park Service
P.O. Box 158
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Dear Mr. Howard:

On June 12, 2006, I conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Monocacy National Battlefield and Antietam National Battlefield. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, your sites.

However, if you anticipate requesting financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2007, please contact Brad Onken (304) 285-1546 or me (304) 285-1555 before August 25, 2006.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey or survey letter.

Sincerely,

Rodney L. Whiteman

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